

## REMARKS

To more clearly define the cable storage according to the invention, the claims have been amended wherein the amendment of claim 1 is based on claims 1, 6 and 22 on file and of the text on page 6, lines 12-14. New claim 33 finds support at page 2, lines 5-8 and page 3 lines 21-22. As amended it is submitted that the claims meet the requirements of 35 USC 112.

All the prior art mentioned by the Examiner relates to cable storer devices which comprise some sort of winding-up mechanism for winding-up a surplus of cable inside a housing.

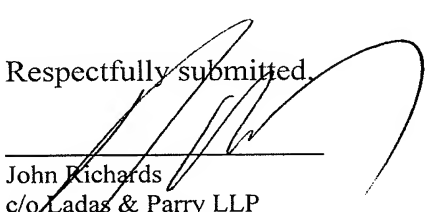
The system according to the invention is a very simple cable storage device where the cable is inserted according to an insertion pattern which is selected such that parts of the cable are pre-twisted in different directions. Usually the cable is first positioned in said pattern outside the housing (for example using the process as disclosed in claims 2-5), after which said cable is placed inside the housing of the cable storage in order to place the wound-up surplus of cable inside the housing, the cable inlet and cable outlet of the housing are formed as a recess opening towards an upper edge of said housing such that the cable ends (figures 26 and 27 in figures 8-12) can be placed inside the cable inlet and outlet respectively. When an additional length of cable is required, this can be taken out of the housing and straightened for further use. Due to the special insertion pattern, this straightening of the additional length of cable does not introduce any twists or twines in the cable. That is, it does not introduce any twist or twines around the length direction of the cable. The special winding-up method as for example claimed in claims 2-5 ensures that the cable is pre-twined or pre-twisted (around the

length direction of the cable) such that turns / convolutions or twists introduced into the cable mutually automatically compensate with respect to each other when removing a length of cable outside the housing.

It is noted that the Examiner considered claim 22, on which the present amended claim is based, allowable if rewritten to overcome these rejections. In view of this applicant regards the attached amended base claim allowable. Furthermore the remaining dependent claims now all depend on a allowable base claim, and thus would also be allowable.

In view of the foregoing it is submitted that this application is now in order for allowance and an early action to this end is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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